2003-2004 Field Training Equipment List

There is generally concern over the amount of equipment that must be purchased in order to participate. The following details a list of equipment that is the necessary equipment to participate in the training. If individuals do not have each item on this list, they will not be able to participate. At some point during the training cycle, each individual must have all the equipment listed in task O-0001 in order to complete the task. However, not all the task equipment is required up front. We attempt to curtail the amount of equipment that is required to participate in the first few weekends. After participating in ES training, many individuals decide that emergency services activities simply do not interest them. Consequently, new (and possibly unused equipment) simply goes to waste. However, if participants feel as if ES activities interest them, they can acquire equipment slowly over time as they complete their training. Our squadron does own some equipment that can be issued out to cadets on an "asneeded" basis; however, this equipment must be returned to the squadron after the weekend is complete. Most of this equipment can be purchased relatively inexpensively at discount stores or military surplus depots.

REQUIRED LIST

- Battle Dress Uniforms (BDUs), 1 set, complete with all required name tapes and patches, cutouts, and grade insignia in accordance with CAPM 39-1
- BDU cap
- Combat boots, at least one pair
- Blue belt w/subdued tip and buckle for wear w/ BDUs
- Underclothes and socks sufficient for three days
- Toilet kit, including: soap & toothbrush (in cases), toothpaste, razor and shaving cream (as necessary), comb or brush (as necessary), items of feminine hygiene (as necessary), deodorant or antiperspirant, shampoo, other items as necessary (enough to last you for your entire stay).
- At least two quarts of water
- International orange reflective vest
- Pocket knife
- Flashlight (With Red Lense)
- Pocket note pad (3" x 5"), pen and pencil.
- Inexpensive wristwatch.
- Shelter material, preferably 8' x 10' (spare military poncho meets the need).
- Food for two days
- Sleeping bag, bedroll or poncho liner
- Compass
- Whistle